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RE:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/908,988 entitled "METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS

FOR STABILIZING MICROTUBULES AND INTERMEDIATE FILAMENTS IN

STRIATED MUSCLE CELLS" - Eric N. Olson and Jeffrey A. Spencer

Our reference: MYOG:028US Client reference: UTSD:614

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\boxtimes	was filed on July 18, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/908,988.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

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	PRIORITY APPI	LICATION(S)	Priority Claimed
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